

Submission – Anon – 20th June 2017

Have Education carried out a formal analysis (preferably by an independent 3rd party) showing the impact on demand for the private schools given the increase in fees that will arise as a result of the States reducing their support and what the cost to the public sector will be vs the savings? Incidentally, I have no doubt that these private schools will have to pass all or most of the additional cost on to parents and many of the parents, including ourselves, are already making substantial additional contributions to capital projects through the Beaulieu Foundation which will also inevitably suffer.

My overriding concern is that the proposal to reduce funding to these schools will cost the States more than it saves and lead to overcrowded State schools and potentially lead to reducing numbers at the private schools. This could ultimately lead to them having to increase fees even further and end in a vicious circle of fee rises and reducing pupil numbers leading to their demise over the medium term.